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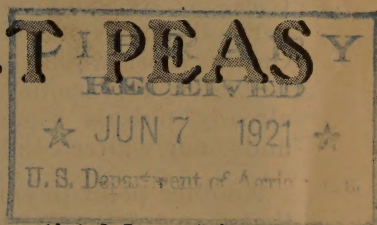


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WINTER
FLOWERING

SWEET PEAS

for 1921



Standard Varieties & Splendid Novelties

Many of which are not obtainable elsewhere



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To Our Customers

The season of 1920 proved most favourable to the growth of Winter-flowering Sweet Peas, although many of the varieties failed to give first-class flowers in winter-time, owing to their inability to withstand wet and cold conditions.

The real value of the Winter-flowering Sweet Pea very largely lies in the fact that we can depend upon its flowers to decorate our homes and gardens at a time when other flowers are scarce. It is evident, therefore, that what we require is a race of these Peas whose blooms will be perfect in wet and cold weather.

We disagree with the remarks recently made in the press to the effect that "winter-flowering" is a misnomer, on the ground that Winter-flowering Peas should bloom under winter conditions anywhere.

We are not concerned with the climates of other countries. If we can produce Sweet Peas which will bloom perfectly under **our** winter conditions we shall be satisfied. On this score we have no doubt that the patient hybridist will give us varieties of the required character, for we already possess some varieties which flower perfectly under **our** winter conditions.

Another point in connection with weather conditions is that many of the "salmon," "pink," and "red" varieties now on the market will not stand sunlight without bleaching.

We are glad to observe that a new race of Peas is being evolved at "Karkoo," giving absolutely sunproof flowers in many shades of salmon, pink, and red. It will not be long before these are available.



TYING UP PEAS AT KARKOO, 1920

We commented previously upon the faulty form of many of the new Peas, and we again state that mere size or colour of bloom will not compensate for flowers badly placed on the stem or for reflexing standards, or other faults which are destructive of decorative value.

All the seed we offer is grown specially for us under the personal supervision of an expert in his own grounds. Our customers may therefore confidently rely upon the quality of the seed we offer, as none of it has been grown on the usual contract system.

From time to time we have visited the "Karkoo" grounds during the flowering period, and notes have been carefully kept of the quality and trueness of every variety grown, and after a very careful criticism of all the numerous sorts grown we have finally selected as the very best those varieties listed in this catalogue.

NOVELTIES AND RECENT INTRODUCTIONS

1s. per packet of 10 seeds.

CONCORD SUPERB. A clear, glowing, rosy cerise. The flowers are a great size, the standard is beautifully frilled and waved, producing a large number of double standard blooms.

GIANT ROSE. Enormous flowers of a brilliant, clear rose colour, being very striking. This variety marks an important advance in Winter-flowering Sweet Peas on account of its size, texture, and strong growth.

KARKOO FIREBRAND. A wonderfully brilliant Pea of a flaming salmon-orange colour. Although this intense colour, it has shown very little burning. The brightest flower that has yet been sent out of this shade.



PART OF KARKOO SWEET PEA TRIALS, 1920

KARKOO BRILLIANT. Exceptionally brilliant colour, standard being red and the wings a deep rose, the flower being a bicolour. Strong growth, producing fine flowers on long stems.

KARKOO CREAM. Pure deep cream, with flowers excellently placed on the stems. Flowers are of fine texture and very large. Of richer colour and better form than Aglaia Motte.

KARKOO DECORATOR. A striking, bold flower, borne on particularly stiff stems, standard being bright rose and the wings soft pink. A great variety for winter flowering.

KARKOO GIANT CRIMSON. A grand pure crimson; flowers very large and well placed on the stems. One of the finest crimsons ever offered.

KARKOO LAVENDER. A beautiful, clear, pure lavender. The flowers are of fine quality, large, and well placed on the stems. This variety is a strong grower, and stands the wet weather well.

KARKOO MAROON. Pure deep maroon. The truest maroon ever offered. The blooms are very large, splendid in texture, and well placed on the stems.

THE BEAUTY. A brilliant, dark, fiery rose. Magnificent flowers, the size, form, and colour being excellent.

We have had very gratifying testimony concerning the "trueness" of Karkoo seed. This is not surprising, for every seed in a Karkoo packet has been grown at Karkoo. The proprietor of "Karkoo" does not rely upon other growers for any of the seed he offers.



KARKOO SALMON PINK AS GROWING

STANDARD VARIETIES

INCLUDING RECENT INTRODUCTIONS

6d. per packet of 10 seeds; 5s. per dozen packets.

AGLAIA MOTTE. Deep cream. Well-waved large flowers.

ALBURY BEAUTY. Orange-pink; fine flower, well waved.

ALBURY CARMINE. Brilliant carmine, of large size. A vigorous Pea.

ALBURY LAVENDER. Large, well-waved flowers.

ALBURY MAROON. Deep maroon. Fine large flower, well waved. Karkoo maroon is a better Pea.

CALIFORNIAN BRIGHT BLUE } Capital colours,
CALIFORNIAN LIGHT BLUE } but, like most
blue Peas, they do not stand wet and cold weather well.
We recommend them for late sowing, say, in June.

CALIFORNIAN DARK SHELL PINK. This is a magnificent flower. Splendid size, shape, and substance. Colour dark shell pink on a white ground.

CALIFORNIAN DEEP PINK. This Pea has been universally admired for its immense and beautiful rose-pink flowers. Strong grower, doing well in winter-time.

CALIFORNIAN FLUSHED CREAM. This is one of the most artistic Peas ever originated. Large flowers, finely waved, cream ground, lightly flushed pink. A glorious Pea, decidedly better than Pianola.

CALIFORNIAN LAVENDER. A magnificent winter Pea, standing wet and cold weather without bleaching or closing.

CALIFORNIAN LIGHT SALMON PINK. This, in our opinion, and in the opinion of many growers to whom we have shown the blooms, is the most charming Winter Sweet Pea yet issued. It has very large, exquisitely-waved flowers of beautiful pale salmon-pink. A grand Pea, bound to take a leading place as an exhibition flower.

CALIFORNIAN MAGENTA RED. One of the most glowing and distinct colours introduced. Pure, brilliant, and pleasing. Invaluable for the exhibitor.

CALIFORNIAN PALE BLUE. Clear pale blue, excellent shape and size. Entirely new colour in Sweet Peas. Splendid exhibition flower, and really good in winter. We have seen nothing to approach this in pale blues. The seed of this variety is small and wrinkled, but it germinates excellently.

CALIFORNIAN PINK. Still holds pride of place as one of the best and largest shell pink. A grand exhibition Pea. Many fours.

CALIFORNIAN PINK PURITY. Clear, soft, velvety pink, of fine form; a strong grower.

CALIFORNIAN RED. The most solid of all bright scarlet-red Peas. Very vigorous. Very large flowers, on long, sturdy stems.

CALIFORNIAN WHITE. Without doubt the best and purest white Winter Pea. Solid white, of splendid waved form, with strong stems, bearing a big proportion of fours.

CHARM. White, flushed heliotrope. Good, large flowers.

COERULEA. Pale blue; vigorous.

CONCORD PURPLE. Rich bright purple. Large flowers of excellent form.

COUNTESS IMPROVED. Light blush pink, with deeper edges. Blooms large and of fine form.

CREAM PICOTEE. Deep cream, with clear defined edge of rose-pink.

DAISIE MOTTE. Pure white; well waved.

DAWN. Ivory-tinged lavender. Large flowers of fine form.

DAYBREAK. White picoteed rose. Very prolific in fours. A charming Pea.

DONALD J. COGHILL. White, flaked rose.

DUCHESS. Deep cerise. A grand, brilliant flower. fine form.

EARLY MORNING STAR. Brilliant rosy-salmon. One of the most striking salmon Peas.

HEATHER BELL. Distinct mauve-pink. Large and well waved. The best of this colour.

ICICLE. Fine pure white. Many fours.

KARKOO MOONLIGHT. Pale lavender. Very fine form. Flowers excellently placed on the stem. Very free in fours. Greatly admired by all who have seen it.

KARKOO CELESTIAL. A true lavender Pea. Clear in colour, with well-placed flowers on strong stems, with plenty of fours.

KARKOO CRIMSON FLAKE. Crimson flake on a creamy-grey ground. A very striking Pea; quite novel. Four flowers are freely produced on long, strong stems.

LAURA. Maroon and purple. A striking, glowing colour; huge flowers. A very fine Pea.



"GIANT ROSE." Growing at "Karkoo" trial grounds

MAGENTA ROSE. A unique colour, being deep rosy magenta. A fine distinct variety for exhibition.

MARIE CHESLYN. Pale cream-pink, with a glorious touch of salmon.

MAUVE SHADES. A splendid mixture of mauve, mauve-pink, and lavender-mauve shades. Fine large flowers of excellent form.

MELODY. Pale shell pink. A lovely colour, and a glorious Pea.

MOTTE'S BLUSH CREAM. Large flowers, good colour.

MOTTE'S CRIMSON. A good crimson; growth most vigorous.

MOTTE'S GREY FLAKE. Grey, white ground, flaked with chocolate. Fine form, very large.

MOTTE'S MAUVE. Pure deep mauve.

MOTTE'S PLUM. Large flower; good colour.

MOTTE'S PURPLE. Light purple.

MRS. MAY HASSETT. Deep cream-pink. A splendid variety.

MRS. SIMPSON. Ivory, shaded with lavender. A fine bold flower of exhibition form.

NIOBE. Beautiful pale blue; fine form.

PHYLLIS. Pink, with lavender shade. A unique colour, and very fine.

RED ORCHID. Crimson-red, shaded orange. Distinct and striking colour.

R. M. MOFFATT. Bright rose-pink.

ROSY MORN. Red, shaded carmine. A strikingly brilliant flower. An excellent variety, which will be much in demand.

RADIANCE IMPROVED. Intense rosy cerise. A brilliant Pea of fine colour.

SALONIKA. True orange-salmon. Fine large flowers. Good form.

SALMONEA. Bright rosy salmon.

THALIA MOTTE. Glowing crimson. Very large flowers, well waved.

VENUS. White ground, flushed with rose. Good form. A fine decorative Pea.

WHITE SWAN. A splendid solid white. Strong, long stems.

WINSOME. Rosy mauve. A fine, large flower.

YARRAWA. Standard deep rose-pink, wings soft blush pink. Still one of the finest winter Peas.

All the above at 6d. per packet; 12 for 5s.

KARKOO SPECIAL MIXTURE

Containing the **finest Spencers only**, in the best colours. We claim that there is no better mixture in existence, no matter at what price or under what name it may be offered. Per packet of 15 seeds, 6d.; 35 seeds, 1/.

SPECIAL LARGE PACKET

Containing about 100 seeds of specially-selected named varieties. 2/6 per packet.

Stronger and better plants, and finer blooms, will be obtained from seed sown not earlier than the middle of February.

Full cultural directions are given by "Greenleaf" in "The Gardening Bulletin" for February, which may be obtained for 3d. per copy, or per annum, posted, 3s. 6d.

AN EXHIBITOR'S OPINION OF PEAS FROM KARKOO

Mr. F. S. Bollen, the well-known Sweet Pea exhibitor writes:

"I derived so much pleasure from some of the Early-flowering Sweet Peas sent out by you from the Karkoo grounds, that I would like to express my opinion about a few which I consider are very fine.

"Cal. Pale Blue. A very fine Pea of the most delicate shade of pale blue. In my opinion, the best of this colour on the market. Not affected by the coldest conditions, except to show a faint edging of green, which adds to rather than detracts from its beauty.

"Cal. White. The purest white Pea I have seen. Very prolific. Carries a big proportion of fours on long, strong stems.

"Cal. Pink. A very fine shade of delicate shell pink, producing large flowers. A splendid Pea for both exhibition and decorative purposes.

"Cal. Flushed Cream. This is a glorious Pea. Flushed pink on a cream ground. The flowers are large and nicely waved. The colour, combined with its other good qualities, makes it a most valuable variety for exhibition.

"Karkoo Scarlet Flake. This Pea I valued more than any other grown last season. The colour is most appealing, The same class as Donald Coghill, but much brighter. The bright crimson flakes on a greyish white ground make it particularly attractive, and the size is all that is desired.



2nd GENERATION PLANTS. THE GARDENING BULLETIN PEA
(See notes on back of this Catalogue)

The Gardening Bulletin Pea

The illustration of the above contained in this catalogue is of a row of second generation plants from the special cross made to produce this new Pea.

The Gardening Bulletin Pea is being specially produced at "Karkoo" for subscribers to "The Gardening Bulletin," and in its first year it will not be issued to anyone who is not a subscriber.

Full details of how this Pea is being produced appear from time to time in "The Gardening Bulletin." Every step taken is explained, and the history of The Gardening Bulletin Pea is proving of great interest to the readers of "The Gardening Bulletin."

To those who are not already subscribers, we may say that "The Gardening Bulletin" was founded to serve the needs of the amateur gardener. It is not an advertising journal. Each month details are given of what should be done in that month and how to do it.

The advice given arises from the practical experience of expert gardeners, and we get innumerable testimonials from its readers as to the great value to them of "The Gardening Bulletin."

Issued monthly, it is posted to subscribers for the modest sum of 3s. 6d. per annum, and it is finely illustrated with photographs, the great majority of which are specially produced for the purpose.